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**AMENDMENT/SUBMISSION**

Sir:

This is a response to the Office Action mailed December 28, 2004 in the above-identified application. Reconsideration of the application is respectfully requested.

**CONTINGENT EXTENSION REQUEST**

If this communication is filed after the shortened statutory time period had elapsed and no separate Petition is enclosed, the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks is petitioned, under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), to extend the time for filing a response to the outstanding Office Action by the number of months which will avoid abandonment under 37 C.F.R. § 1.135. The fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17 should be charged to our Deposit Account No. 15-0700.



### SUMMARY OF AMENDMENTS

1.   X   If checked, an abstract (an amended abstract) is submitted herewith.
2.        If checked, amendment(s) to the drawings are submitted herewith.
3.        If checked, amendment(s) to the specification are submitted herewith.
4.   X   If checked, amendment(s) to the claims are submitted herewith.